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An amputated foot won't keep Norm Parker from his 13th season as Iowa's defensive coordinator. **SPORTS, 10A**

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Ken and Karen Schultz walk in the Coral Ridge Mall on Tuesday. Walking inside provides not only health benefits but can be done practically year round because the area is climate controlled.

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Living life in the stroll lane

The Coral Ridge Mall provides walkers with an approximately one-mile loop.

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Mary Boyd Doehrmann clutched the hand of her husband of three years, Marv, as they entered the Coral Ridge Mall. And she didn't let go for a second until the couple completed their 45-minute walk.

The 84-year-old began "mall walking" at Coral Ridge in 1998, shortly after it opened. And for more than 10 years, Boyd Doehrmann has been strolling past the stores every morning — except for Sundays.

"Everyone needs a day off," she said, sporting a fanny pack around her waist.

Exercisers have been hiking through Coral Ridge Mall since it opened, whether it be for safety reasons, convenience, or a chance to socialize.

Mall general manager Monica Nadeau said the number of walkers has remained consistent throughout the years.

"They're a very tightly knit group," said Nadeau, who has been at Coral Ridge for 13 years.

SEE **WALKERS**, 5A



The "Coffee Club" members meet at the Coral Ridge Mall Panera Bread on Tuesday. Some of the members walk prior to their morning coffee, while others converse. Often, they will sing "Happy Birthday" even if it's not anyone's birthday.

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UI's zombie-human game halted

Officials ended the week-long game after a player was hit by a car.

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The RiverFest-hosted game of "Humans vs. Zombies" came to a halt Tuesday after one of the players collided with a car.

Details on the Iowa City police's daily activity log indicate a pedestrian collided with a vehicle at the intersection of Clinton and Jefferson Streets around 1:15 p.m. Tuesday, prompting a medical assistance call to police.

Iowa City police Sgt. Denise Brotherton said she had no further information on the incident, because there was no report and the patrol supervi-

sor who was on duty during the call was not in.

"If someone was majorly hurt, I would assume the evening watch would have put something out or told me about it," Brotherton said. "And no one has said anything."

The incident remains under investigation by Iowa City police.

UI spokesman Tom Moore could not confirm whether the person struck was a UI student, nor could he provide any further information about her or his condition. Most players appear to be college age.

SEE **ZOMBIES**, 5A



Iowa senior Eric Cook (left), sophomore Brandon Tomsom (center), and senior Turk Pierson (right) look for humans while playing *Zombies vs. Humans* on Monday. The game, which was supposed to last throughout the week, was halted on Tuesday after a participant was hit by a vehicle. The incident is under investigation by Iowa City police.

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Mason: Provost decision near

UI officials will announce each of the four provost candidates shortly before their visits to campus.

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Candidates for the University of Iowa's provost position will begin visiting campus within "a week or so," UI President Sally Mason told the Staff Council at its meeting Wednesday.

The announcement came in response to a question about the administration's priorities for "stabilizing" the provost position. The post was left vacant when Wallace Loh left the UI after only two years to become president of the University of Maryland last August.

Mason said she is pleased with the four candidates.

She formed a search committee in November 2010 and reviewed candidates in March.

Candidates will visit the university one at a time, Mason said, and officials will announce each name shortly before the visit.

Mason said Loh's early departure showed the administration made a good choice in hiring him. The interim position has since been held by former College of Engineering Dean P. Barry Butler.



Mason
UI president

SEE **PROVOST**, 5A

UI lags behind in faculty pay

Nationally, faculty salary pay increased by 1.4 percent.

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The University of Iowa will have to work harder to remain competitive in hiring and attracting top employees, UI President Sally Mason said on Wednesday.

Though all three of Iowa's regents schools saw increases in their faculty's average salary from fiscal 2010 to fiscal 2011, other Big Ten public institutions have seen greater increases, according to a recent report released from the American Association of University Professors.

The UI has seen a marginal increase in the average reported faculty salaries from \$94,100 in fiscal 2010 to \$95,000 this year, according to the report.

The relatively low increase is concerning, some faculty and higher education officials said.

"It doesn't help us," Mason told *The Daily Iowan* after a Staff Council meeting Wednesday. "That's not something we need to have happen."

The UI saw roughly a 1 percent increase in average faculty pay compared with the national average of 1.4 percent.

"What we need to do is reverse the trend," said UI Faculty Senate President Ed Dove, who said he's disappointed to see the UI "moving toward the bottom of the Big Ten."

Over the years, he said, he's seen numerous faculty leave the university to seek better opportunities.



Dove
Faculty Senate president

SEE **PAY**, 5A

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Associate Professor Kenneth Brown speaks to UI graduating seniors about "Private Victories" on Wednesday at the Sheraton Hotel. Students chose Brown to speak at the Last Lecture this year.

Grabbing life by the cow

Tuesday marked the fourth year of the Last Lecture, where UI professors give advice to seniors on life after college.

By **KATIE HEINE**
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Jumping cows may sound silly, but Ken Brown wanted students to see it as something meaningful.

The associate professor in the University of Iowa Tippie College of Business told a group of UI seniors Tuesday night a story of a girl in Germany who trained her cow to jump because she wasn't allowed to have a horse to show that success comes from commitment and working hard.

"It's a surprisingly simple but magical formula," Brown said.

Gaining private victories was the theme of Brown's speech on Wednesday evening. He spoke to roughly 80 students who piled into a conference room at the Sheraton Hotel for the Last Lecture event sponsored by Students Today, Alumni Tomorrow as a part of Senior Send-Off.

This was the fourth-

Last Lecture

UI lecturers:

- 2011: Ken Brown
- 2010: Frank Durham
- 2009: Mitch Kelley
- 2008: Craig Just

Source: Leslie Prideaux

annual Last Lecture sponsored by the UI Alumni Association and Students Today, Alumni Tomorrow. The lecturers are UI professors suggested and voted on by the group's members. The lectures usually focus on advice and life after college, said Leslie Prideaux, an assistant director of Alumni Programs.

"It's our way of welcoming the graduating seniors into alumni-hood," she said.

Attendance was slightly down from the more than 100 attendees for last year's lecture by Associate Professor Frank Durham, but the group of seniors at the event said they appre-

ciated it.

"Everyone wonders what he or she is going to do after graduating," said UI senior Austin Morford. "This reassured that everyone has those thoughts, and there's something to do about it."

As someone who is passionate about music, Morford said the lecture settled his nerves about following his dreams. He said he's now more confident to do what he wants — be involved with music, he said.

Though the 22-year-old noted he has no definite plans after graduation, he said he wants to stay in the Iowa City area.

"You've got to give it a shot — that's all that matters," he said.

For the second year in a row, Students Today, Alumni Tomorrow sent its senior members a postcard invitation that could be used to get a free drink of choice at the event — alcoholic beverages included.

And some seniors saw that as an incentive to attend the lecture.

Alan Fritzier, a UI senior majoring in management information systems and economics, said he stumbled upon the event while downtown enjoying RiverFeast. But the 22-year-old said he was pleased with his choice to go, citing Brown's lecture as well-delivered, engaging, and funny.

"It's about overcoming doubt and not waiting for something to find you," Fritzier said. "You've got to go out and find it."

The total estimated cost for the event — including food, drinks, and rentals — was about \$1,000, Prideaux said. Ninety percent of the University of Iowa Alumni Association is funded through its own funds from membership dues, she said. The remaining 10 percent comes from university funding to maintain the alumni records, she said.

METRO

Building evacuated after chlorine spill

One person was medically treated and an entire building evacuated after the North Liberty Fire Department responded to report of a chlorine spill at a North Liberty hotel Wednesday, according to a press release.

Fire officials arrived at the Sleep Inn Hotel, 485 Madison Ave., at approximately 7:10 a.m. According to the release, fire officials detected a heavy odor of chlorine on the scene and additional responding authorities remained on the scene until 2 p.m.

The hotel has reopened, and the person treated was not transported to the hospital, according to the release.

North Liberty Fire Department was assisted by the Iowa City Fire Department, Johnson County Ambulance Service, the North Liberty police, the North Liberty Water & Recreation Departments and the Johnson County HAZMAT team.

— by Ariana Witt

Systems' Golf Classic looks for golfers

An Iowa City-based nonprofit organization is seeking teams of four to take part in its 22nd Annual Golf Classic, according to the company's website.

Systems Unlimited Inc. will host its tournament May 9 at the

Pleasant Valley Golf Course in Iowa City.

Sign-up for would-be players is \$125 per person, and funds raised will provide assistive devices for people with disabilities.

The Golf Classic is scheduled to begin at 11 a.m. May 9 with a rain day scheduled for May 24.

— by Ariana Witt

Rousseau to perform

A University of Iowa alumnus and well-known saxophonist will headline the UI's School of Music benefit concert.

Eugene Rousseau is scheduled to perform with student and faculty ensembles during the May 3 concert at the Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington St., according to a universitywide e-mail.

The concert is the first fundraising step by music officials in efforts to build a new music building, which was destroyed by the 2008 flood.

The May performance is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m.; the second half of the show will feature Rousseau and the jazz band Johnson County Landmark.

Tickets start at \$5 for students, \$10 for youths, and \$25 for the general public.

— by Ariana Witt

Senate panel OKs redistricting

The Iowa Senate State Government Committee unani-

mously passed the state's redistricting plan Wednesday, said Sen. Jack Kibbie, D-Emmetsburg.

The plan will be debated in the House and the Senate today, Kibbie said, noting it will likely pass both. Kibbie predicted the new plan will be approved — with very few dissenting votes — by both houses by tonight.

"Most people feel, let's take the first plan and live with it," Kibbie said.

The proposal would place Rep. Dave Loebsack, D-Iowa, and Rep. Bruce Braley, D-Iowa, in the same district and would also pair Republicans Steve King and Tom Latham in western Iowa. Cedar Rapids and Iowa City would no longer be a part of the same district.

— by Sam Lane

Boswell backs flyover pilot

Rep. Leonard Boswell, D-Iowa, wrote a letter to an Air Force investigator in December, supporting the pilot who led a low flyover over Kinnick Stadium on Nov. 20, according to the Associated Press.

Maj. Christopher Kopacek flew too low during a flyover before the Iowa-Ohio State football game.

Boswell urged the officer to accept Kopacek's explanation that he flew too low because he was trying to avoid other air traffic, AP has reported.

"I have reviewed the video footage of the flyover and see no

aircraft out of formation or distressed because of the altitude," Boswell wrote in the letter, according to the AP.

— by Sam Lane

Man charged with theft, forgery

Iowa City police arrested a Coralville man after he allegedly purchased numerous items with another man's credit card.

Kenneth Gayden, 48, was charged March 25 with third-degree theft and forgery.

According to police, Gayden found a wallet in the garbage that the alleged victim had accidentally thrown away.

The report said Gayden then allegedly took the wallet to Wal-Mart where a video camera recorded him purchasing a laptop with a stolen credit card.

The report said he also bought a bottle of vodka and two cartons of cigarettes, signing the alleged victim's name for the charges.

The complaint said Gayden admitted to taking the wallet when confronted by officers.

The report said Gayden told police, "It was fun while it lasted."

The total for Gayden's purchases at Wal-Mart in addition to the \$50 in the wallet was \$537, the report said.

— by Hayley Bruce

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BLOTTER

Erik Ambrozic, 21, 402 Ronalds St., was charged Wednesday with public urination.

Michael Daniels, 49, Coralville, was charged Tuesday with disorderly conduct.

Kira Millage, 20, West Liberty, was charged Tuesday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Jennifer Warner-Blankenship, 29, 408 Myrtle Ave., was charged Tuesday with fifth-degree theft.

Speakers eye debt

Students from the UI, UNI, and ISU attended the Fiscal Solutions Tour panel discussion Wednesday.

By SARAH BULMER
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About \$14,272,993,603,000 and counting. That's the U.S. national debt.

It's a rapidly growing number, and with that growth, the question of what should be done to reverse the trend of the nation's debt has grown from whisper to roar.

Three panelists met with about 400 people at the Pomerantz Center on Wednesday to address the issue of the U.S. debt and deficit. They discussed possible solutions to the problem as part of the Fiscal Solutions Tour presented by the UI and the Concord Coalition, a bipartisan group looking to educate and approach economic inefficiencies.

"Our debt has risen in relation to the size of the economy because of the recession and because of the need to cope with the recession," said Alice Rivlin, former director of the Office of Management and Budget and the Congressional Budget Office during the Clinton administration.

The national debt is the accumulation of the national deficit — how much money the country borrows each year. The panelists agreed the debt is unprecedented.

"I think that the main point is whether you're a liberal, a conservative, a Democrat, or a Republican, you have to acknowledge that the numbers just don't add up," said Robert Bixby, the executive director of the Concord Coalition.

As the baby boomers continue to age, retire, and thus cash Social Security checks, national alarm is growing, said Rivlin.

"Not only is there no easy solution, there's no single solution," Rivlin said.

James Capretta, assistant director of the Office of Management and Budget for the Bush administration, spoke about what should be done to improve the national health-care system in hopes of achieving "more health bang for the buck" by creating a "systemwide improvement by leveraging change in Medicare."

Capretta addressed the issue that Americans often enroll in company retirement programs without fully understanding the funds. He said a key to reform would be to move toward setting a regulated government contribution tax.

After brief introductions by each of the panelists and Curt Hunter, the dean of the UI Tippie College of Business, the four sat side by side facing a full auditorium of concerned citizens and students from the UI, Iowa State Univer-

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sity, and the University of Northern Iowa.

John Solow, an associate professor of economics who teaches the course Debt and Deficits, has worked with his students to assess and discuss the root of the nation's economic debt. From this research, he and his students found the issues of main concern are Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid, and defense, he said.

"[Our country's debt is] big, and it's growing," he said. "The biggest problem is not immediate, the biggest problem is coming down the pipe."

UI sophomore Audrey Powers, an economics major and is one of Solow's students in the course, said the issue of the national deficit strikes university students more than anyone.

"People have been talking about problems with Social Security and the problem with the debt, and now it really is upon us," she said. "We really have to start making some big decisions about solving the problem."

Despite fund shift, legal office flourishes

Student Legal Services will continue to serve UI students at full capacity.

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As funds from the University of Iowa Student Services Office are eliminated from the Student Legal Services' budget, student-government organizations said they are unable to pick up the slack.

Despite the funding decrease from the office — a gradual process over the last several years — Student Legal Services officials say they have anticipated the waning source of funds and won't experience a budget shortfall in fiscal 2012.

"We always have [received adequate funding]," said Greg Bal, the supervising attorney for the service. "I've never felt threatened that we were not going to be funded."

The two student-government bodies jointly responsible for dispersing money to student organizations — funds allocated from the student activities fees — will contribute \$154,089 to fund Student Legal Services, which amounts to 22 percent of the combined student governments' \$705,824 overall budget for fiscal 2012. The funding is a 2.1 percent increase from the fiscal 2011 budget.

"Over the last five years, the vice president has funded less, and we've funded somewhat more," said Lyndsay Harshman, the president of the Executive Council of Graduate and Professional Students. "But we haven't entirely made up the deficit."

Regardless, members of the legal office said their budget requests were fully met and they will continue to be able to provide legal counsel for UI students. Officials said their requests were met and they won't have to cut services or pay.

"We have come to a point in time where we've been completely weaned off those funds [from Student Services]," said Bill Nelson, the director of Student Life.

Although the legal service must seek funding from other sources — and increasingly rely on the money provided by the student governments — the organization is busier than ever.

The annual Don't Get Busted lecture — a seminar given by Bal to inform students of their legal rights — saw its audience grow by 200 people to 650 students in September 2010. Moreover, Bal reported seeing roughly double the number of weekly student visitors in the office last fall.

Since fiscal 2009, the student governments' joint budget has been able to gradually produce more funding for the legal service, thanks largely to increased



Harshman president

Funding for Student Legal Services

- 2009: \$138,060
- 2010: \$140,000
- 2011: \$150,927
- 2012: \$154,089

Source: USG budget

tuition, which results in more student activity fees. The fee is currently \$32.50 for each undergraduate student enrolled in 12 or more semester hours. In fiscal 2009, Student Legal Services received \$138,060 of the student governments' \$655,715.

The budget for fiscal 2012 has been approved by the UI Student Government and the Executive Council. It awaits final approval from Tom Rocklin, the vice president for Student Services.

NATION

Gov't to take on luggage fees

NEW YORK — You've already paid \$15, \$20, even \$35 to check your bag on a flight. Then the airline loses it. You don't even get your money back.

The government wants to change that, tackling two of the biggest complaints about the air travel industry — poor service and the explosion of fees — at once. Major airlines, which collect \$3.3 billion in bag fees each year, are opposed.

The airlines charge \$15 to \$35 to check a bag, \$20 to \$45 to check a second, and more for the third and beyond. Most airlines won't provide a refund, even if it takes days to return a passenger's suitcase. They say the rule would raise prices for everyone.

"I am going to pay you \$25 to deliver my bag to X destination; it should be there waiting," says Joseph Rosenberg of Roanoke, Va., who had to buy a suit at the last minute this week after an airline lost his bag on a flight to a business meeting.

— Associated Press

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Editorial

Lecture group funding should shift

Famous playwrights, out-and-proud gay activists, hip-hop stars, and Wikipedia insiders have all come to the University of Iowa in the last few years to tell students about their areas of expertise.

The UI Lecture Committee, which selects and finances these visitors, may be about to receive a funding overhaul. But students shouldn't worry — the proposed changes might be exactly what the committee needs.

The UI Lecture Committee is a collaboratively funded organization; that is, it's the only organization that receives full funding from the UI Student Government and the UI Executive Committee of Graduate and Professional Students. However, if passed, this new proposal hopes to switch the way in which money is allocated to a "fixed cost" method.

In a letter given to Vice President for Student Services Tom Rocklin on Monday, UISG and ECGPS proposed this shift to help out with budgetary and accounting issues, since the Lecture Committee has a different purpose and methodology than most student groups.

While this change may initially spark some confusion, this proposal will benefit the Lecture Committee in the long run. The UI Lecture Committee will still receive the same amount of funds from the Student Activities Fund, but it will be allocated at a fixed amount each year.

Right now, the UI Lecture Committee requests funding each year from UISG and ECGPS, competing with other student organizations for the limited funds. This is despite the committee's noncompliance with certain student organization requirements, like tracking funding on OrgSync and using the Student Organization Business Office.

The committee's long-term goals and hefty planning requirements also distinguish it from most student organizations — another reason behind the requested shift in funding. UISG President John Rigby said this move will help both UISG and the UI Lecture Committee, because the Lecture Committee has had issues with submitting its budget to UISG in years past.

"It really helps it know its budget this year," Rigby told the *DI* Editorial Board. "It has a steady source of funding."

Funding lectures on campus at a set rate will dissipate an inequity, which is basically what is happening, said Rigby.

"You have a pie, and we're just changing the order in which people are able to get access to this pie," explained Patrick Cornally, chief financial officer of UISG.

Lyndsay Harshman, the president of Executive Committee of Graduate and Professional Students, agreed with this as well. "Student government has oversight over the student-activity-fee dollars, but we won't directly allocate it [now]," she said.

The UISG and Executive Council are set to reconvene with Rocklin in two weeks, who will make the final decision.

"I think it's a very well-thought-out proposal," Rocklin said Monday at the meeting. He could not be reached for further comment on the topic.

As a whole, Rigby and Harshman think it will be what is best for everyone in the long run.

"We're happy about it, they're happy, and so is administration," Rigby said.

Overall, this change wouldn't necessarily free up some UISG money for other organizations, but would likely make it easier on the Lecture Committee and other parties as a whole; funding the committee with a predetermined amount every year would simplify matters. It would also recognize the difference between the UI Lecture Committee and other student organizations, and account for this difference in the funding process.

As long as the Lecture Committee continues to receive enough funding to maintain the great speakers it has had in years past, this is a solid solution to its incongruous placement. We hope that Rocklin approves the joint proposal — and that the committee continues to bring such a wide variety of interesting people.

Your turn. Should the UI Lecture Committee's funding model change? Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

Who's the real conservative?



SHAWN GUDE

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Is social conservatism inextricably linked to fiscal conservatism?

That's the claim likely presidential candidate Michelle Bachmann has been making of late, including in a speech at the IMU earlier this week. And it's one of the central internecine arguments GOP caucusgoers will have to wrestle with come February.

"Social conservatism is fiscal conservatism," the Minnesota representative averred on Monday, undoubtedly roiling any libertarians in attendance.

For the exclusively fiscal conservatives (e.g., Gary Johnson), this is a fatuous statement: One can support gay rights and lowering taxes. Then there are the Haley Barbour of the world, who would rather inveigh against government spending than gay marriage. Sure, they say, same-sex marriage is objectionable. But fiscal issues should trump social issues.

Bachmann flatly rejects both arguments.

Instead, she asserts that "upholding life, marriage, and strong family life" is one leg of the "three-legged stool" that undergirds a strong America.

Jim DeMint, the South Carolina senator and leader of the Senate Conservative Fund, put it this way at the Values Voter Summit last year: "You cannot be a real fiscal conservative if you do not understand the value of having a culture that's based on values."

To social conservatives, it's also a question of meaningful freedom — freedom unmoored from traditional (i.e., Judeo-Christian) values is picayune. (Libertarian-leaning Republicans like Johnson, in contrast, hold up unmitigated freedom as a laudable goal: Just because you'd advise your friend against smoking pot doesn't mean there should be a law on the books forbidding its use.)

The problem is, social conservatives mistakenly equate virtue with adherence to Judeo-Christian values. Religiosity, in their mind, is the sine qua non of morality. Agnostics and atheists with a moral compass prove otherwise.

And if the only thing stopping a population from descending into drug-addled immorality were devotion to an omniscient deity, Western Europe would be a giant cesspool.

Many Western European countries have lower rates of weekly church attendance than the United States. Yet they also have lower rates of drug use. Whatever one might think of this bloc, it's clear it hasn't crumbled for want of a religious foundation.

The sordid picture social conservatives paint is simply untrue.

In addition, Bachmann and like-minded conservatives' purported parsimoniousness rings hollow when it comes to the war on drugs. If she was a genuine fiscal conservative, she'd find our ineffective, wasteful policies repugnant. She'd find the amount of money we spend to lock up nonviolent offenders deplorable.

Even Obama's drug czar, Gil Kerlikowske, told the Associated Press last year that the war on drugs has been a failure.

"In the grand scheme, it has not been successful," he said. "Forty years later, the concern about drugs and drug problems is, if anything, magnified, intensified."

In the end, though, my normative appraisal of Bachmann's melding of social and fiscal conservatism matters very little. I'm a leftist — not exactly her target audience.

The more important question is, will Iowa Republicans be amenable to her ideological arguments?

In the 2008 Republican caucus, 60 percent identified themselves as born-again or evangelical Christians, and Mike Huckabee was the victor.

Huckabee is hardly the quintessential fiscal conservative — the Club for Growth derided him as "Tax Hike Mike" — but he was the most full-throated social conservative in the field. That might not be enough this time.

Both Bachmann and Huckabee have unsailable social conservative credentials and extensive name recognition, instantly catapulting them to the top of the field. But Bachmann boasts a stronger record on taxes and spending, the current mania on the right, than Huckabee.

Vociferous social conservatism can be paired with stalwart fiscal conservatism — if Republican caucusgoers so choose. ■

Letter

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Time for greyhound racing to end

Kirsten Jacobsen's April 11 column about a bill that would allow Iowa's dog tracks to stop holding live races is largely accurate.

Not every state that doesn't have a dog track has prohibited racing. Some have never had tracks, and in some others, the tracks have closed of their own accord. The writing is on the wall; only a fool would think of opening, or reopening, a greyhound track.

If Iowa's dog racing industry operates the way it does in other states, its 1,300 jobs are mostly part-time, and virtually all of them are low-paying, dead-end positions. Eliminating them will be a blow to some families, to be sure, but in most cases will not take away a family's whole income.

Finally, it is not the case that the 10 percent of greyhounds destroyed annually are killed mostly because of temperament or physical injuries. The breed as a whole is mild-mannered and flexible enough to transition easily to the life of a pet dog.

However, some dogs are treated so inhumanely during their racing careers that they are emotionally traumatized, with considerable patience and expertise needed to rehabilitate their psyches. Others have injuries that could be treated, but only at considerable expense — which the racing kennels refuse to undertake.

Fracture or rupture of the right ankle is the most common career-ending injury. It is caused by the centrifugal force on the narrow bones of this joint during the tight turns of the oval track. In the dog, sur-

gery can cost more than \$2,000 and recovery takes at least two months. Unless a greyhound is exceptionally valuable in a breeding program or a shelter can pay for the treatment, the trainer or owner will have the dog put down.

As a longtime greyhound adopter and rescue volunteer, the possibility of ending the races is wonderful news. If a similar bill is passed in Florida, it is likely that dog racing will be a thing of the past by the end of this decade.

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Guest opinion

Budget battles aren't just financial

While the last-minute budget deal reached on Friday night temporarily avoided a government shutdown, the battle over the federal budget is far from over. Next up will be a debate on whether or not to raise the debt ceiling by May 16, which if not raised could have disastrous effects on the economy. Before that comes into play, the ideological and rhetorical differences between the two parties need to be examined.

The \$38.5 billion in cuts won by House Republicans may seem like a blow to the Democrats, but I am still

thankful the most ludicrous and socially driven cuts were not accepted. For instance, Planned Parenthood, an essential resource to women, was saved from being defunded in attempt by the Tea Party to let ideology trump numbers.

The Tea Party would like people to believe that this service provides abortions on the taxpayers' dime, and cutting their funding will help close the nation's debt. In reality, Planned Parenthood maintains that abortions accounted for only 3 percent of its health services last year

— perhaps more importantly, using federal dollars to fund abortions is already illegal.

Planned Parenthood is not only about abortions, it provides integral services like cancer screenings and STD testing to millions of women that cannot afford to receive treatment anywhere else. These services are a necessary part of women's health and the idea that their \$363 million received from the federal government will significantly help reduce the debt is misleading. While any cut does count, and small cuts do add up, the motivation behind

this proposal was not fiscal.

There are too many problems in Washington right now to let social issues like abortion get in the way of deciding how to improve our economy. Cuts need to be made, both parties agree on that, but they need to be made efficiently. Defunding an organization that has experienced immense success in helping women out of moral protests should not be a part of the budget discussion.

I know from talking to my friends that many college students disagree with these socially conservative cuts, and

I encourage students to contact their legislators and express their opinions. Posting a link on Facebook helps inform your friends, but it does not help inform the people elected to represent you. If you disagree with their ideas to cut services like AmeriCorps and public broadcasting, tell them. That is the only way to stop ideologically-motivated leaders from cutting vital services.

It is also important to understand that the idea of drastic, short-term spending cuts will not help the economy as well as one might think.

Preventative medical care now saves cost in the future by catching diseases and treating them early. People have a right to social services like health care and education, and these programs that invest in the future actually save money in the long run.

The federal budget needs to reflect a compromise and cooperation between both parties on cuts to wasteful spending. Healthcare to women is not one of them.

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No verdict yet in Phillips trial

Prosecuting attorney Anne Lahey said it's hard to tell how long deliberations may take.

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After four hours of deliberation, jurors had not decided whether Gregory Phillips meant to kill his landlord when he walked into the office with a loaded gun.

Phillips, 57, is charged with attempted murder and going armed with intent. He allegedly threatened to kill Mezher Beig, his landlord, at Dolphin Lake Enclave Apartments on Sept. 4, 2008.

The jury began deliberating around noon on Wednesday.

Prosecuting attorney Anne Lahey said it wasn't unusual for deliberations in an attempted murder trial to take this long, and she noted that it's impossible to tell if extended deliberations benefit either side.

Wednesday was the third day of the trial, and it began with closing arguments from the prosecution.

During her closing argument, Lahey told the jury Phillips meant to kill Beig when he walked into his office.

"The defendant was armed, pulled the gun on Mezher Beig, and pulled the trigger," Lahey said.

Lahey brought up Phillips' admission during his testimony that he had consumed 16 to 18 beers on Sept. 4, 2008.

Though the defense tried to explain his actions, the explanations don't justify what he did, Lahey said.

Lahey then continued to talk about the terror Phillips caused Beig.

"He felt as though his head could be blown off," Lahey said. "Mr. Beig struggled for 15 minutes because he knew his life depended on it."

Victoria Cole, Phillips' attorney, started the defense's closing statements by saying simply, "This case is simply an empty threat."

Cole noted that though Phillips entered the office with nine rounds in the weapon, there was never a round in the chamber, and he never fired a shot.

Though Beig said he heard the click of a trigger being pulled, Cole reminded the jury there are numerous things on a gun that can make a similar noise.

"When someone points a gun at you, and you hear a

Punishment

The punishments for Phillips' charges are:

- Attempted murder: up to 25 years in prison
- Going armed with intent: up to five years in prison and a maximum fine of \$7,500

Source: Iowa Judicial Branch Online

click, it doesn't matter how many buttons on it make a noise, you will always assume it was the trigger," Cole said.

Cole said if Phillips wanted to kill Beig, he would have. Beig is alive because Phillips didn't enter the office intending to kill him, Cole said.

"If you want to take someone out of this world, you don't give them a chance to talk," Cole said.

On Monday, Beig testified that Phillips stuck a gun to his mouth, told him he was going to kill him, and pulled the trigger without a shot being fired.

During Phillips' testimony Tuesday, he said he never told Beig he was going to kill him, and he only went to Beig's office to threaten him.

"If I say something, I'm going to do it," Phillips said.

Between the closing arguments of the defense and prosecution, Phillips stood talking to a member of the audience.

"After 31 months, something's got to give," he said.

The jury will continue deliberation at 8:30 a.m. today in the Johnson County Courthouse. Attempted murder is a Class B felony, punishable by up to 25 years in prison. Going armed with intent is a Class D felony, punishable by up to five years in prison and a \$7,500 fine.



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A feasting fest

UI staff member Nicole Smith and UI junior Katie Hanson enjoy dipped ice cream from Mia Za's during RiverFeast in downtown Iowa City on Wednesday. Not unlike the Taste of Iowa event that happens in the fall, RiverFeast allows Iowa City residents to try food from a variety of different establishments downtown.

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"My son goes to school because of these clothes."

Moped epidemic hits town, campus

The number of mopeds registered on the UI campus has increased over the past decade.

By **EMILY HOERNER**
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The many moped riders in town could soon have a greater selection of parking thanks to a city effort to free up overcrowded bike racks.

The City of Iowa City has received complaints from bikers who say too many people are overcrowding bike racks with their mopeds. Now, city officials are looking into adding spots downtown specifically for mopeds and motorcycles.

City officials said they don't yet have the details of

the potential parking spots and haven't presented any plans to the City Council.

They are working to decide whether to designate one large section of downtown for moped/motorcycle parking or scatter a few spots in different locations.

"We've asked ourselves, 'If we created some more dedicated spots, where would we put them?'" said Iowa City transportation planner John Yapp.

Officials also haven't determined sources of funding or how much the project would cost. Yapp added the city wouldn't take action until at least the start of the fall semester.

University of Iowa sophomore Megan Cassidy — who has had a moped for two weeks — said she often parks at bike racks.

Cassidy said she understands why bicyclists might

be angry with the recent spike in mopeds on campus because they take up so much space.

"I kind of feel bad [parking at a bike rack]," she said. "But I don't really have a choice."

Parking at bike racks is fine on city property, but the UI campus bans it.

The city's efforts come at a time when the number of mopeds on campus is increasing.

From March 2010 to March 2011, the UI Transportation Department states the number of registered mopeds and motorcycles increased by over 100 — from 1,060 to 1,196.

Jim Sayre, the associate director of the department, said the moped trend has been increasing over the last decade.

And for the two owners of the new moped renting company MopedU — Bryan Ilg

and Josh Bass — business is booming.

"The demand just keeps coming," Bass said.

MopedU put its product on the streets March 18, and its 39 mopeds were rented out in only 11 days. There is now a 25-person waiting list, and Bass said the company is in the process of obtaining more vehicles.

Because of the success, the two plan to expand next year to a campus with a warmer climate to eliminate their off-season, Ilg said.

"We're just catching the wave," he said. "Especially with gas prices, and [moped] parking is a breeze."

However, the "breeze" with which mopeds park has some area bicyclists and city officials concerned.

"We've had complaints, more from bicyclists, about mopeds and scooters being parked in the bike racks



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Bicycle racks across the city, such as this one pictured Wednesday downtown, have started to become home to mopeds because of overcrowding in designated moped and motorcycle parking spots.

downtown," Yapp said.

UI senior Matt Coziahr, who has ridden his bike to campus for the past four years, said the situation has definitely gotten worse.

Coziahr said he is lucky because most of the places

he parks his bike — near Schaeffer and Phillips Halls — have a large number of bike racks.

He said he has friends who often have trouble with bike rack parking.

"At some racks, it's just horrible," he said.

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Obama lays out deficit reductions

WASHINGTON — President Obama coupled a call for \$4 trillion in long-term deficit reductions with a blistering attack on Republican plans for taxes, Medicare, and Medicaid on Wednesday, laying down markers for a roiling debate in Congress and the 2012 presidential campaign to come.

Obama said spending cuts and higher taxes alike must be part of any deficit-reduction plan, including an end to Bush-era tax cuts for the wealthy. He proposed an unspecified "debt failsafe" that would go into effect if Congress failed to make sure the national debt would be falling by 2014 relative to the overall economy.

"We have to live within our means, reduce our deficit, and get back on a path that will allow us to pay down our debt," the president said in a speech at George Washington University, a few blocks from the White House. "And we have to do it in a way that protects the recovery, and protects the investments we need to grow, create jobs and win the future."

Obama's speech was salted with calls for bipartisanship, but it also bristled with attacks on Republicans. They want to "end Medicare as we know it," he said, and to extend tax cuts for the wealthy while demanding 33 million seniors pay more for health care.

"That's not right, and it's not going to happen as long as I am president," he vowed.

NATO undertakes new strikes in Libya

AJDABIYA, Libya — NATO launched new air strikes Wednesday on targets held by Muammar Qaddafi as the rebel movement urged a stronger air campaign that will allow them to advance on Qaddafi's territory.

In Tripoli, meanwhile, Qaddafi's Finance minister angrily denounced proposals by rebel leaders that they be given some of the regime's assets that were frozen as part of international sanctions.

"That is financial piracy," Minister Abdulhafid Zlitni said of the idea. In all, about \$120 billion in Libyan assets were frozen as part of international sanctions, Zlitni told a news conference.

Concerning Wednesday's bombings, a NATO official confirmed a strike on at least one ammunition bunker outside the Libyan capital, Tripoli. He asked that his name not be used because the military alliance was not yet releasing the information publicly.

Libya's official JANA news agency reported air strikes Wednesday in three other places: Misrata, Libya's third-largest city; Sirte, a Qaddafi stronghold and home to the Libyan leader's tribe; and Aziziyah, about 22 miles (35 kilometers) south of Tripoli. Jana said the strike in Misrata was in an area "populated with residents."

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Spotlight Iowa City

Finding joy in lending a helping hand

In addition to caregiving, the UI sophomore works at two other jobs.

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Emily Nefzger doesn't think shuffling down the aisles of a grocery store is a mundane chore.

Through her work helping a young disabled man, the University of Iowa student has witnessed the thrill of grabbing a jug of milk or the exchange of money at the counter.

Nefzger works for Consumer Choice Options, a branch of the Iowa Department of Human Services, where she assists a family friend whom she's known for years.

"It's so fun; they're amazing," Nefzger said about her friend and his roommate who often tags a long. "Everything is such a big deal to them. You realize how much you take for granted, I guess."

Nefzger visits the pair roughly two times a week, helping her friend leave his apartment for a few hours.

Sometimes, they spend an afternoon walking or exercising at the Hawkeye Recreation & Wellness Center, baking in the kitchen, or going to a movie.

A smile slowly spread across Nefzger's face as she recalled her friend's constant curiosity for life and bewilderment at the world surrounding him.



UI sophomore Emily Nefzger walks with a blind man on March 22. Nefzger helps another blind man, Jesse Stelken, by taking him grocery shopping, cooking, or even watching a movie.

'Everything is such a big deal to them. You realize how much you take for granted, I guess.'

— UI sophomore Emily Nefzger, who helps a blind family friend

"It's so fun hanging out with them," she said, her work seeming more like play. "It's like another day, going out with friends or something. But I love it."

Emily Nefzger's mother, Linda Nefzger, initially suggested the companion job. A year and a half later, she said her daughter still loves it.

"She knows they've got potential," Linda Nefzger said.

Emily Nefzger's bubbly personality blossoms when talking about the way her relationship with the man has grown over time.

"He's very fond of Emily," said Melinda Crane, the young man's

full-time caregiver. "He always looks forward to weekends with her."

Crane recalled a time when she was stuck at the grocery store alone and Nefzger came to rescue her.

"She's self-less," Crane said. When Crane heard Nefzger — a college student — was coming to

help, she admitted she was skeptical. But Crane soon saw Nefzger's dedication to caring for the pair.

"She's a person that's willing to go the extra mile," Crane said.

Nefzger said she loves getting to know caregivers at various events Consumer Choice Options hosts.

Emily Nefzger

- Age: 19
- Hometown: Earlville, IA
- Favorite food: Chicken
- Favorite movie: *Boondock Saints*
- Favorite vacation spot: Australia
- Favorite movie: James Patterson

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"All are so much fun, and they love what they do, and they appreciate it a lot," Nefzger said. "I could see a lot of us working there for a longtime."

She said she cherishes the time she gets to spend as a caregiver. She said with confidence she'll be doing it for the remainder of her time at the UI and maybe even after.

"She likes working with them," Linda Nefzger said. "She knows there are opportunities for them to do stuff on their own that most people think they can't do on their own. It takes certain people to do that job. And she's one of them."

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Each year over 8,000 students are employed through the Student Hourly and Work-Study employment programs. The University of Iowa wishes to acknowledge the efforts of these employees and their contributions to the achievements of the University's goals.

The following students were nominated by their departments for the Student Employee of the Year award. Special thanks to these fine student employees and their employing departments. A mug commemorating student employee excellence was provided to each nominee.

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of the season while in the hospital and during rehabilitation, finally returning to full-time duties for the Insight Bowl against Missouri last December.

On Wednesday, he reaffirmed his commitment to remain at the helm of the Hawkeye defense.

If anything, the time he was forced to spend away from the program last year

made him sure of it.

"You know, I never doubted it," Parker said. "But it reconfirmed some thoughts that, hey, this is where I belong. This is what I like to do.

"You know, I mean, this is how much I would miss it if I wasn't there all the time."

Parker iterated that passion and spoke about the enjoyment he took from preparing for the Insight Bowl. Missouri — which had averaged better than 400 yards of offense per game — managed 512 yards, but the Iowa defense

held the Tigers to 24 points and forced NFL-bound quarterback Blaine Gabbert into two interceptions. The Hawkeyes won, 27-24.

"I enjoyed that. And our team worked hard," Parker said. "When the team is working hard and everybody is doing his thing and they put a lot of effort into it and they had a lot of focus on it, that makes it fun."

Certainly the last six months or so have been challenging for Parker, but it that hasn't shown in his demeanor. Just ask O'Keefe.

The offensive coordinator recalled a conversation from a practice last week in which the two were discussing the weather. It was cold.

"And [Parker] said, 'Yeah, it was so darned cold my [artificial] leg fell off,'" O'Keefe said. "And I'm like, 'What?'"

"... He didn't even blink. He thought it was funny."

Parker said he's continually improving, but he'll likely coach from the press box during games this fall.

Before the season

starts, though, he has a different goal: Parker said he wants to play a round of golf by the summer's end.

He said that the amputation would slow down

his swing.

"For me, that's good," Parker said. "Because I don't have a swing. I have a slap shot."

O'KEEFE

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offensive line. Redshirt freshman Brandon Scherff, for example, is listed as the starting left guard, but his offensive coordinator said the 6-5, 310-pound Denison native "has to learn what he's doing."

"He's still a guy trying to get the system figured out," O'Keefe said. "You can see him flash and you can see him use that body at times, which makes a huge difference. But he has to know what he's doing on every play."

The season is still several months away, which gives Scherff and the other young players plenty of time learn their roles. And while O'Keefe said no single practice is more important than the others, he admitted Saturday's Spring Game will be beneficial because it will force his players to perform before an expected crowd of 25,000 people.

"Now instead of them just looking up the crowd like they used to ... now they have to actually listen to what's going on in the huddle and listen to the snap count," he said. "That's where the value would come in."

R-E-S-P-E-C-T

Parker spoke at length about the Hawkeye offense and particularly praised

Open practice set for Saturday

The Iowa football team will hold its annual Coca-Cola Classic Spring Practice at Kinnick Stadium at noon Saturday. The event will last about two hours and include a "controlled scrimmage" at its end.

Only the west and south grandstands will be open for spectators, with gates A, B, and E opening at 10:30 a.m. Admission is free, but fans are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to donate to the Johnson County Crisis Center.

All university parking lots adjacent to Kinnick Stadium will be available for parking.

- by Jordan Garretson

Vandenberg's magnetism.

"He's a popular guy," Parker said. "The team and the guys really liked Ricky Stanzi ... he was their guy, and therefore, they played hard for him. And I think the team really likes Vandenberg."

Parker, who is entering his 13th year as Iowa's defensive coordinator, also had plenty of positive things to say about the wide receivers and how Coker has gotten bigger and faster since his Insight Bowl performance.

"I think it's very encouraging," he said. "I think they're pretty good. I hope they are."

GYMNASTICS

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The top three teams from the group will advance to the NCAA championships. Additionally, the top three gymnasts on each event in each session that are not a member of a qualifying team advance to Friday's competition, which will determine All-American status. The top-10 scorers on each event on Friday advance to individual finals on Saturday, when a national champion will be crowned.

Reive said it will take a nearly perfect meet from the Hawkeyes to advance past the qualifier as a team.

"We're not totally out of it," he said. "If we have a flawless meet and we hit 35 out of 36 routines, which is kind of unheard of, but we can totally do it, we have a chance to get into the second day."

The only Iowa gymnast with experience at the All-American level is senior Mike Jiang. Jiang, an All-American on pommel horse in 2010, said it will take focus to return to that level.

"I need to stay focused and pace myself," the senior said. "I can't pay atten-

tion to everyone else. I just think about it like another day at practice with no extra pressure."

To combat the nerves that will come with competing in the biggest meet of the season, Reive said he has tried to get the squad to narrow its focus to the present moment.

"We try to distract them from the bigger picture and get them to focus on one routine at a time," he said. "It's my job to get them to know that they have been preparing for this and that they are ready for it."

Reive also had the team arrive in Columbus on Tuesday to get two full days of practice in at St. John Arena. He said getting the team acquainted with the set-up of the arena would also help the Hawkeyes relax before Thursday.

Jiang said the Hawkeyes can perform well at the qualifier if the team trusts in its routines.

"It's a new beginning for us," he said. "We have potential to do well at this meet; we just need to believe in ourselves."

HENDRICKS

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hurdling with her right foot as the lead leg.

"You're definitely going to be a step ahead of other competitors if you can compete with both legs," assistant coach Clive Roberts said.

The race is largely about technicalities and rhythm. Head coach Layne Anderson said it is a technical race in terms of the stride patterns. Roberts, who coaches Hendricks in the event, also called it a rhythm race. Being able to use both legs is necessary because the athlete can't slow down and fix her footsteps

because she has to use a specific lead leg.

Endurance is also an important factor. In the past, Hendricks said her endurance held her back in competition. But because of her fall conditioning this year, such as running 600s uphill, she said, it has not been an issue.

Hendricks accomplished her goal of breaking the one-minute barrier on April 9 at the Sun Devil Classic in Tempe, Ariz., running the race in 59.65.

"The focus of training and the thing I think will help me drop my time this weekend [at Auburn] is getting out of the blocks and the first hurdle so that I can set myself up for the rest of the race," Hendricks said. "The first hur-

dle is really important and just being comfortable going over with my right leg, I feel like I should be able to drop my time if I execute those two things."

Joining the team as a walk-on freshman, Hendricks was a multi-event athlete. She tried a number over the course of her four years, including jumping, hurdles, the 400, and 600. This year, though, is the first time all of her hard work has come together. She was a part of the 4x4 relay team that took second in Big Tens and is now shooting for first place in the outdoor Big Ten championships.

"This indoor season, she finally pushed through some barriers and got to a level where she was able to score [at the Big Ten

championships]," Anderson said. "Something she wanted to do for a couple years."

One thing has been able to get her through to the milestone at Arizona State, and Roberts said he expects her, and all of his athletes, to keep progressing.

"I think she just worked extremely hard and chipped away with it," Anderson said.

Not only is she working hard in the 400-meter hurdles, Hendricks has also run the 400-meter race, the 4x4 relay, and the 4x100 relay this outdoor season. There isn't much more she could do.

"Looking back on it," Anderson said, "she couldn't have worked any harder."

Question marks for Buckeyes

Big Ten cochampions Wisconsin and Ohio State are spending the spring working in new faces on offense.

By SAM LOUWAGIE
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For the past three seasons, the Ohio State football team knew who its starting quarterback would be for its season-opener.

But senior-to-be Terrelle Pryor was one of five Buckeye players suspended in the off-season for violating NCAA rules. For the first five games of next season, an untested and unfamiliar face will lead Ohio State's offense.

Head coach Jim Tressel just isn't sure which untested face that'll be.

"I wish it was definitive," he said. "I wish someone was head and shoulders above the rest. But at this point, I don't see that."

The group of candidates includes sophomore Kenny Guiton — who looked the best this week in practice, Tressel said — senior Joe Bauserman, and freshmen Braxton Miller and Taylor Graham.

Pryor and the other suspended players are allowed to practice with the team this spring. But the 6-6 quarterback injured his foot in January's Sugar Bowl and has been limited in practice, allowing Tressel to get a good look at his temporary replacements.

Buckeye center Mike Brewster said there were initially some fumbled snaps and miscommunication with the group of young quarterbacks, but he said things have smoothed out as camp has progressed.

"I think the biggest thing

is just getting snaps under center," Brewster said. "We've gotten in a comfort level with all the quarterbacks. Right now, no matter who's in, it's really not affecting our play."

Tressel said it's important for the team to determine a pecking order by the end of spring camp because Pryor will return to practice in the fall and use up many of the repetitions that are now being used to evaluate his backups.

But at the same time, he indicated the team was in no hurry to declare an opening day starter.

"I kind of vacillate each day," Tressel said. "We don't have a game tomorrow, so we don't have to make that decision. What you're trying to develop is that consistency over time."

Badgers reload offensive line

Wisconsin's offensive line powered a bruising running game last season as

the Badgers rammed their way into the Rose Bowl. The left side of that line is now gone.

But head coach Brett Bielema isn't worried.

Bielema pointed to the Badgers' six returning linemen with starting experience in expressing confidence in the line's ability to retool. Ricky Wagner, last year's right tackle, moved to left tackle this season to replace Outland Trophy winner Gabe Carimi. Bielema praised Wagner's ability to switch sides of the line. Kevin Zeitler, with 22 career starts, returns at right guard.

Safety Aaron Henry has spent the spring practicing against the line, and he doesn't foresee a drop-off from last year's.

"We lost two All-Americans, and I can't tell," Henry said. "Our linemen are so athletic, it's just kind of crazy because you try to put a move on them, and they move with you."

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Iowa defensive coordinator Norm Parker speaks to media in the Hayden Fry Football Complex on Wednesday. Parker has been head coach Kirk Ferentz's only defensive coordinator at Iowa.

Nothing slows Parker

Sixty-nine-year-old Norm Parker is entering his 13th year as Iowa's defensive coordinator.

By **JORDAN GARRETSON**
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Norm Parker's most revealing moment Wednesday didn't have anything to do with football.

Instead, it had everything to do with Parker's own determination.

Aided by a cane, the 69-year-old Iowa defensive coordinator slowly strolled into the players' auditorium at the Hayden Fry Football Complex for his press conference. The 30-foot trip took him about a minute. Parker sat down in front of about two dozen media members, his wispy white hair sitting on his forehead in a natural part. "What are we talking about?" he asked jokingly.

A half-hour of questions and answers later, Parker needed help from offensive coordinator Ken O'Keefe to get to his feet. That required a carefully timed "one-two-three" count and lift from O'Keefe.

"They got a lot of pictures of that," Parker quipped as camera shutters whispered. Moments later, O'Keefe summed up the scene quite aptly.

"That's tough right there," O'Keefe said. "He's tough."

Parker, who is entering his 13th year as the Hawkeyes' defensive coordinator, had his right foot amputated in September 2010 because of diabetes-related complications. The procedure came after he was originally admitted to the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics on Sept. 10 for back pain. Parker previously had had two left toes amputated.

Besides Iowa's 2010 opener against Eastern Illinois, Parker missed much

SEE **NORM**, 9A

O'Keefe reloads offense

New faces dominated the conversation in offensive coordinator Ken O'Keefe's spring press conference.

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Fans attending this weekend's Spring Game should probably bring a media guide.

Otherwise, they might have a hard time recognizing the players.

Ricky Stanzi is gone. So is Allen Reisner. Julian Vandervelde? Ancient history.

Offensive coordinator Ken O'Keefe lost 14 lettermen from last year's squad, but he said that's part of the job of a college coach.

"Not that I'm on a total Novocain drip or anything, but whether it's guys getting hurt or guys going to the NFL, you just keep on going," he said during his spring press conference on Wednesday. "I don't spend much time overthinking things."

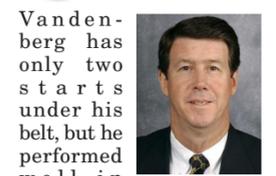
Instead of looking back on what was lost, O'Keefe is working to make sure his new players are ready to live up to their new, Big Ten-mandated billing as "Legends."

He has a pretty solid foundation to work from, too.

Quarterback James

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To view Iowa's updated spring depth chart, log on to www.dailyiowan.com.



O'Keefe
offensive coordinator

Vandenberg has only two starts under his belt, but he performed well in both a 27-24 overtime loss to Ohio State and a 12-0 win over Minnesota in 2009. Sophomore running back Marcus Coker rushed for 219 yards in the fourth start of his career to help lead Iowa to the 2010 Insight Bowl title. Junior wide receiver Keenan Davis pulled in 11 catches for 131 yards and a touchdown in limited action last year.

Add injured wideout Marvin McNutt and an offensive line that returns three starters — left tackle Riley Reiff, center James Ferentz, and right tackle Markus Zusevics — and it's easy to see why defensive coordinator Norm Parker said the offense has looked "pretty good" after a handful of spring practices.

That doesn't mean everything is set in stone, though. The quarterback situation after Vandenberg is murky, and O'Keefe said he still has "a long way to go" with his inexperienced team — particularly on the

SEE **O'KEEFE**, 9A

Men's gymnasts embrace underdog role

The members of the No. 11 Iowa men's gymnastics team believe they have nothing to lose entering tonight's NCAA National Qualifier at Ohio State's St. John Arena.

By **RYAN MURPHY**
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Entering the NCAA National Qualifier, the Iowa men's gymnastics team is not expected to be a contender for a national championship. Even head coach JD Reive acknowledges that qualifying for the

team finals is a long shot.

Those low expectations give the Hawkeyes' motivation entering the biggest meet of the season.

"We know it's a long shot, so we have nothing to lose," said Reive, coaching in his first national qualifier in his first

year as a head coach. "Everybody's going to fight for every single tenth of a point he can get out of it."

Sophomore Matt McGrath, ranked 10th on pommel horse and a qualifier for the NCAA championships in the vault last season, said Iowa gets a

chance to surprise the other teams in the competition.

"Teams will look at Big Tens and think that we're not a threat," McGrath said. "It gives us a chance to prove them wrong, and show that we can handle our own and put up a good performance."

The Hawkeyes will compete in the NCAA National Qualifier at 6 p.m. today at Ohio State's St. John Arena. No. 11 Iowa's six-team group includes No. 2 Stanford, No. 3 California, No. 6 Michigan, No. 7 Ohio State, and No. 10 Nebraska.



Reive
coach

SEE **GYMNASTICS**, 9A

Hendricks makes strides

The senior captain on the women's track and field team is breaking through in the 400-meter hurdles and other events.



Iowa junior Tiffany Hendricks leaps a hurdle during the 11th-annual Musco Twilight Meet at Cretzmeyer Track on May 1, 2010. Hendricks is from Burlington.

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and it's the first time, Hendricks said, she looks to see where the competition is.

"That point in the race is where I actually start paying the most attention to the people around me," she said. "You just have to move your arms a lot more — more so because it cor-

relates with how your legs move, and just sprint to the end really with everything you have left."

Another challenging facet can occur anytime throughout the event. Hendricks said some sprinters, such as sophomore Hannah Simonson, don't have a dominant or nondominant hurdle leg, but Hendricks does. Left-legged, she has used repetition in practice to overcome the obstacle of

SEE **HENDRICKS**, 9A

Heiar trapped for an hour in accident

Iowa offensive lineman Dan Heiar was trapped in his vehicle for more than an hour after a single-vehicle crash near West Branch, according to a report in the *Des Moines Register*.

State Patrol Trooper Matt Costello's investigation revealed that Heiar was traveling westbound on Interstate-80 at 2:45 a.m. on Sunday when his truck veered off the road and hit a guardrail at mile marker 255. The truck went down a hill and landed on its top, pinning Heiar inside.

"It took an hour or longer for us to extricate him with the jaws of life," Costello told the *Register*. "He was conscious when the firefighters got there, then he was silent."

Heiar, a transfer from Iowa Western Community College, was transported to the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, where his condition remains unknown.

When asked if he had any updates during a teleconference on Tuesday, Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz couldn't add much detail.

"He was involved in an accident, and it's significant," the

13-year head coach said. "We expect him to be hospitalized for a while. We're just hopeful everything progresses forward in a good fashion."

"It was an accident; there's not a lot to say."

Offensive coordinator Ken O'Keefe said he couldn't add anything either, only saying, "Dan was doing a nice job while we had him. Hope we get him back soon."

Costello found containers of beer in the 2000 Chevy Avalanche Heiar was driving, but the trooper said he didn't have Heiar's blood-alcohol content, according to the *Register*. There were also indications the lineman may have fallen asleep while driving. The investigation is on-going.

Heiar, a 6-5, 285 pound sophomore from Charlotte, Iowa, was not listed on the spring practice depth chart.

— by **J.T. Bugos**

Sowinski honored

For the first time since 2009, a member of the Iowa men's track and field team has been honored with a Big Ten track Athlete of the Week award.

Erik Sowinski was named the

Big Ten male track Athlete of the Week on Wednesday following his performance last weekend at the Sun Angel Classic at Arizona State.

A middle-distance runner, the junior won the 800 meters premier in 1:48.32. Sowinski edged out Minnesota's Harun Abda — one of the Big Ten's top 800 runners — by 0:00.22.

The Waukesha, Wis., native currently has the conference's second-fastest 800 time and the sixth-fastest in the country. Sowinski ran the 800 meters in 1:48:15 two weekends ago at the LSU Invitational.

"I was pretty excited," Sowinski said after hearing he won the award. "It just goes to show how far we've come as a team. Steven [Willey] had a good weekend, Ethan [Holmes] had a good weekend, so anybody could've won it."

Ray Varner was the last Iowa male athlete to earn the honor, in April 2009.

— by **Ben Schuff**



Sowinski
runner

ZOMBIES CRASH the PROM

ZOMBIE PROM

When: 10 p.m. Saturday
Where: IMU Main Lounge
Admission: Free



Inspired by Iowa City's local music scene, RiverFest directors hope to make the event larger than life with a Zombie Prom on Saturday.

By **LAURA WILLIS**

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The prom queen looks like living hell.

A ghost-white foundation covers her face, and blue and black shadows highlight her sleep-deprived eyes. Dark red lipstick is smeared along her cheeks and neck, giving the impression that she has been sprayed with blood.

This haunting look could only be glamorous in one local: The RiverFest Zombie Prom. The event will take place at 10 p.m. Saturday in the IMU Main Lounge. Local Iowa City bands Johnny on Point, Five in a Hand, and Dead Larry will perform. The event features free admission, free food, music, and zombie makeup.

RiverFest is an annual weeklong festival that began in 1978 in Hubbard Park. In its 33rd year, the spring festival is one of the most successful student-organized events on campus. This year, it has refocused on music, hosting a weekend concert festival which organizers hope will provide entertaining events and quality music.

"I thought RiverFest needed some kind of climatic moment," said KT Hawbaker, the co-music director of RiverFest. "I wanted it to have a big finish. I thought Zombie Prom would do that."

Hawbaker, along with co-music director Jason Larson, drew inspiration from local rock band Dead Larry and the group of Zombie Girls who occasionally dance onstage with the musicians.

"Dead Larry captures that folksy-rock thing that is so prominent [in Iowa City]," Hawbaker said. "I felt that the bands would really help RiverFest fulfill its mission to bring local music and the community together."

The Dead Larry performance will have a sentimental touch for the Zombie Girls members; they will remember their group's founder, Alyssa Baye, who died on March 25 after battling heart problems throughout her life. The 22-year-old West High alumna was an avid lover of her boyfriend and

SEE **ZOMBIES**, 6B



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READING

Up from gritty

The Writers' Workshop alumnus with a story of redemption will read at Prairie Lights on Friday.

By ERIC HAWKINSON
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Born and raised in Chicago's tough South Side, Jerald Walker spent his formative years following the same troubled path as many others in his neighborhood. By the age of 17, Walker was a dropout, a druggie, and a gang member.

One blast of gunfire changed everything.

His coke dealer and close friend Greg was shot to death, less than an hour after Walker was with him to buy a gram. The moment marked Walker's rebirth. It led him back to school and eventually to the Iowa Writers' Workshop. He tells his tale in a memoir, *Street Shadows: A Memoir of Race, Rebellion, and Redemption*.

"After being immersed in the inner city for so long, I kind of feel as if I never stopped reliving those experiences," Walker said. "Putting them down on paper was simply another way for me to grapple with these subjects that are always feeding my psyche. Those stories have always been with me. Putting it on paper was as natural to me as breath."

The author will read from *Street Shadows* at 7 p.m. Friday at Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque St. Admission is free.

Street Shadows earned the L.L. Winship/PEN New England Award in the category of nonfiction. Chairman of PEN New England Richard Hoffman praises Walker's writing ability and said he was overjoyed when the judge announced Walker was the recipient for the 2011 award.

"*Street Shadows* is cinematic, psychologically astute, lyrical, and made to last," Hoffman said.



PUBLICITY PHOTO

Author Jerald Walker will read from his latest book, *Street Shadows: A Memoir of Race, Rebellion, and Redemption*, at Prairie Lights on Friday.

"He's a writer who knows what he's doing — how to create a character, frame a scene, keep us turning the pages. That's years of study and determination, years that pay off not only for him but for us as readers."

Walker was 24 when he decided he wanted to go back to school. He enrolled at a community college, where he took a creative-writing course by chance. When one of the instructors read his work, he said Walker belonged at the Iowa Writers' Workshop. For two years, this teacher continued to work with Walker, preparing him for the next step.

"It's pretty neat because when that professor brought me out to Iowa City, one of the first places he took me was Prairie Lights," Walker said. "He said, 'There's a very famous bookstore that you must see.' And so he took me."

Walker praised his creative-writing teachers for mentoring him, and he believes their work is a testament to where he is today. As a writing teacher himself now at Bridgewater State in Massachusetts, he said it's his

READING

Jerald Walker

When: 7 p.m. Friday
Where: Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
Admission: Free

responsibility to give back the valuable things he's learned. It's not simply a job that pays the bills, he said, it's invigorating to have an exchange with the students.

"I know to make it as a writer, you have to be thick-skinned. When students come to my class, they can expect a great deal of truth from me," Walker said. "So if they are to survive as writers, they need to start practicing having thick skin right now or they won't survive."

Much of what Walker learned as a writer came from his years studying in the Writers' Workshop. He learned the value of having a community of writers and how to behave like a writer, and he was also taught the importance of viewing writing as a profession.

"I rise every day at 6, I go to my computer, and I write until 9," he said. "I do that seven days a week. Christmas Day, that's where I'll be."

Living in Bridgewater, Mass., Walker wishes it were more like the small, college town of Iowa City. His affinity for the city doesn't lie just with the Writers' Workshop — it's also where he met his wife and where they spent 10 years together after graduation.

"We loved every minute of it," he said. "I think Iowa City is the best city in the world, and if I could move back there tomorrow, I probably would."

Q&A

Standing up for Victoria

We sat down with University of Iowa junior Elle Kaiser, who represents Victoria's Secret PINK. We asked her about the responsibilities of her job, the current competition among schools across the nation, and what she enjoys in her spare time.

Daily Iowan: What is your job title?

Kaiser: I am one of the two campus representatives for Victoria's Secret PINK and the University of Iowa.

DI: What are your responsibilities?

Kaiser: I represent PINK at the University of Iowa and connect the campus to PINK at the national level. I create awareness of the PINK brand and the PINK Collegiate Collection on campus by hosting events on campus and promoting Pink Nation. I also blog on the Campus Rep website about fashion trends on the Iowa campus.

DI: How did you get involved with this job?

Kaiser: I found it in HireaHawk, which is found in the UI Career Center. I'm a journalism and mass communications major, which is why I liked this opportunity.

DI: What are some of the events that you have hosted?

Kaiser: In August, we set up a pop-up store featuring new items from the PINK Collegiate Collection at Fry Fest, and in November, we had a fashion show Viewing Party at the IMU where students could come to watch the fashion show, eat food, and receive freebies from

PINK. Throughout the fall, we also planned and executed the PINK Happy Project, a clothing drive in which we collected around 2,000 items that we donated to the Crowded Closet in Iowa City.

This spring, we hosted a Fitness Party with UI Bolly-wood Team, and we also profiled several fitness instructors from the university to see what they liked and disliked about the PINK Yoga Collection.

Throughout the year, we take pictures of female UI students who we feel exemplify fashion at the university, and after the pictures are submitted to PINK, they are featured on vspink.com under the "Style U" section. Currently, we are promoting an online competition — the PINK Nation Collegiate Showdown.

DI: What is the competition?

Kaiser: It is 59 college schools against each other with one school as the winner. The winner gets a free concert. Last year, the winner had Victoria's Secret models show up, and Drake, as well as a pop-up store featuring a bunch of new clothes featuring their school. The competition started April 1 and goes until April 21. (As of April 11, the UI was in second place.)

DI: Does the company tell you what to do? How

does it work?

Kaiser: All of the campus representatives from the 59 schools have an account in a special PINK website that functions sort of like a Facebook page. We blog, share pictures, and participate in surveys about new products and fashion trends on campus.

DI: What's your favorite part of the job?

Kaiser: My favorite part is being able to connect people to the PINK brand. I love PINK, and I love the Hawkeyes, so this internship has been a great way to combine my interest in fashion with my love of the UI. Seeing the huge response to the Collegiate Showdown has also been amazing, and it is exciting for me to see other people are as excited about VS PINK as I am — we definitely deserve to win. I'm honored to be a rep for Victoria's Secret and the brand.

DI: What are the hard parts of your job?

Kaiser: Sometimes, it's hard figuring out how to spread awareness. I can't be in residence halls because of soliciting rules, so it can be tricky. It's a lot of trial and error. It's interesting to see how different colleges represent PINK and their rules.

DI: Aside from your job with PINK, what else do you like to do?

Kaiser: I like to run; I'm attempting to train for a triathlon right now. I am also studying for the LSAT. I follow fashion and trends, which is another reason I was interested in this job.



Kaiser
junior

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Coral Ridge 10: 1, 4:50, 7:25, 10 p.m.
Sycamore 12: 1:40, 4:20, 7, 9:40 p.m.

Director Wes Craven (*Nightmare on Elm Street*) returns with his horror film series with original cast members Neve Campbell, David Arquette, and Courtney Cox reprising their roles (though re-screaming their roles is probably the better way to put it). In the fourth installment, Sydney Prescott returns home on the 15th anniversary of the Woodsboro murders only to find that famed serial killer Ghostface has come back as well.

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Coral Ridge 10 (in 3D): 12:30, 12:0, 2:50, 4:15, 5:10, 6:40, 7:30, 9, 9:45 p.m.
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The makers of *Ice Age* present this comedy adventure about walking on the wild side. Blu, a domesticated macaw who has never learned to fly, lives with his owner and best friend Linda in Minnesota and believes he's the last of his kind. But after learning about another macaw who lives in Rio de Janeiro, the two head therein search of Jewels, Blu's female counterpart.

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Showtimes: 9:20 p.m. Friday, 9:20 p.m. Saturday, 4:45 p.m. Sunday

French director Sylvain Chomet (*The Triplets of Belleville*) brings late filmmaker Jacques Tati's semiautobiographical script to life decades after its creation. This animated film follows a struggling illusionist and a young girl who stows away on his ship after seeing his act.

BEER
OF THE WEEK**Boulevard Brewing Company's Imperial Stout**

If you're looking for the perfect drink to pair with a rich dessert or for an after-dinner delight then try the Imperial Stout by Boulevard Brewing Company. It may not be what you think to drink during the warm spring months, but because it only comes out once a year, it's a delicacy.

Imperial Stout is a dark beer that is 11 percent alcohol. It's sweet and heavy, but not too over-powering. It contains several kinds of malted barley, wheat, rye, oats, and spelt, but it is counterbalanced by coffee flavors and chocolate and plum notes.

"I personally enjoy the fact that it is a well-balanced imperial stout," said Joe Hotek of John's Grocery, 401 E. Market St. "Most tend to have way too much oat, so it's really subdued. It's fun, rare, and only comes out once a year."

— by Samantha Gentry

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- **Catie Curtis, with Alexis Stevens**, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **RiverFest: Rock Show**, 9 p.m., Public Space One, 129 E. Washington

WORDS

- **"Live from Prairie Lights," Michele Glazer, poetry**, 7 p.m. Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque

FILM

- **Spring 2011 Proseminar in Cinema & Culture, "Film After Noir," Body Heat**, 7 p.m., 101 Becker
- **Rabbit Hole**, 9:15 p.m., Bijou
- **Campus Activities Board Movie, Blue Valentine**, 10

**Miro Quartet**

Where: Riverside Recital Hall
When: 7:30 p.m. today
Why you should go: The acclaimed quartet will perform works by Haydn, Beethoven, and Barber, including the latter's "Adagio for Strings" in its original setting. The quartet is known for its youthful and lively interpretations of canonic works.

- p.m., 348 IMU
- **RiverFest, IC DOCS**, 10 p.m., Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington

THEATER

- **The Syringa Tree**, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Theatre, 213 N. Gilbert

don't miss!

**Campus Activities Board Night Hawks: Guitar Hero Tournament**

Where: IMU second-floor ballroom
When: 10 p.m. Friday
Why you should go: While you may not be able to play guitar like Keith Richards, you probably can look like less of a corpse while doing it. This is a chance to show off grooves and moves with fellow UI students and win some free Coldstone ice cream at the end.

THEATER

- **Present Laughter, City Circle**, 7:30 p.m., Iowa Children's Museum, Coral Ridge Mall
- **Stuff Happens, Dreamwell Theatre**, 7:30 p.m., Unitarian Universalist Society, 10 S. Gilbert
- **The Syringa Tree**, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Theatre
- **Urinetown**, 8 p.m., Theatre Building Mabie Theatre

Saturday 4.16

Public Space One

MUSIC

- **Rooney, with Skybombers, Voxhall Broadcast**, 6 p.m., Blue Moose
- **Iowa Flute Festival**, 6:30 p.m., Riverside Recital Hall
- **Saturday Night Beat Farm, with generic, Alex Tina Swagger Tables, Rolling Blackout, Gravity, Rocco Ross, Grey(coyote)**, 8 p.m., Gabe's
- **The Civil Wars, with Nat Baldwin of the Dirty Projectors, White Dress**, 9 p.m., Mill
- **Talking Heads Tribute, with This Must Be the Band, Illphonics**, 9 p.m., Yacht Club

WORDS

- **Dan Savage, nonfiction**, 4 p.m., hotelVetro, 201 S. Linn
- **S(W)OP featuring Catherine Wagner, Cris Cheek, Keith Tuma, Tom Orange, poetry**, 6 p.m.,

Sunday 4.17

7 p.m., Blue Moose
• **No Joy**, 10 p.m., Mill

MUSIC

- **Iowa City Community String Orchestra**, 3 p.m., Englert Theatre
- **Volkan Orhan, double bass and Rose Chancler Feinbloom, piano**, 3 p.m., Riverside Recital Hall
- **Juvenile Diabetes Battle of the Bands, with JB Morrison, Item 9 and the Mad Hatters, Hanwell, Justin Payne and Red Lining Aspects**, 7 p.m., Yacht Club
- **Daphne Willis and Megan McCormick, with Dave Tamkin**,

FILM

- **The Illusionist**, 4:45 p.m., Bijou

THEATER

- **Present Laughter**, 2 p.m., Iowa Children's Museum
- **The Syringa Tree**, 2 p.m., Riverside Theatre
- **Urinetown**, 2 p.m., Mabie Theatre

MISCELLANEOUS

- **RiverFest, Rock 'n' Roll Show**, 9 p.m., Public Space One